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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1632

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of John C. Reed

Serial No: 09/388,221

Filed: September 1, 1999

For: NOVEL CARD PROTEINS

INVOLVED IN CELL DEATH

REGULATION

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Examiner: A. Beckerleg

Group Art Unit: 1632

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action mailed

November 23, 2001, entry of the following Amendments and Remarks
is respectfully requested. A response to the Office Action was
originally due February 23, 2002. Applicants submit herewith a
Petition of Extension of Time to extend the time to reply to the
Office Action for one month, until March 23, 2002. Accordingly,
this Response is being timely filed.

AMENDMENTS

Please cancel claims 10, 12-17, 19-26, 28, 30-37 and 39-65 without prejudice.